Another chance to win a prize — see page 8!

TV COMIC 9p

BASIL BRUSH · PINK PANTHER · ROOBARB

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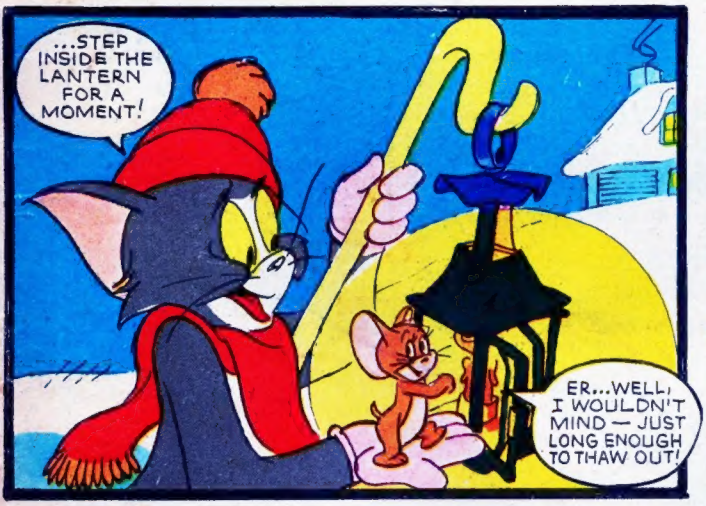
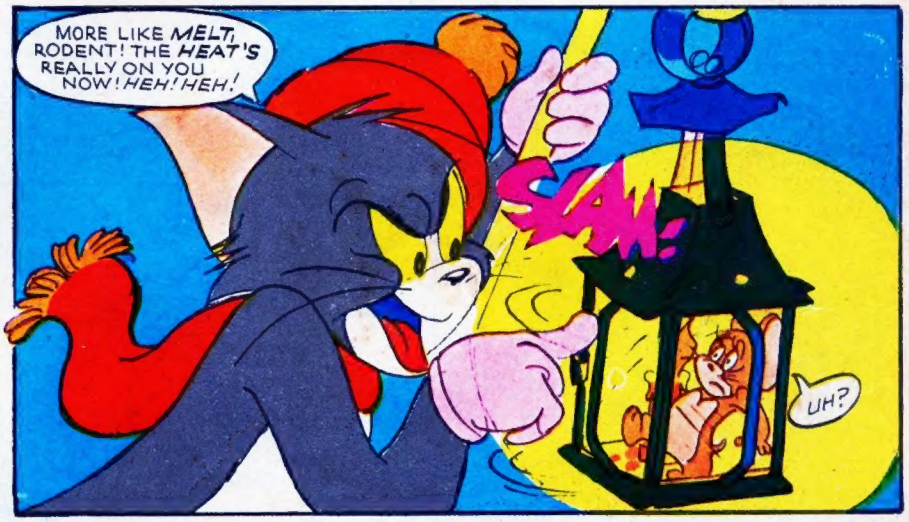
TOM and JERRY





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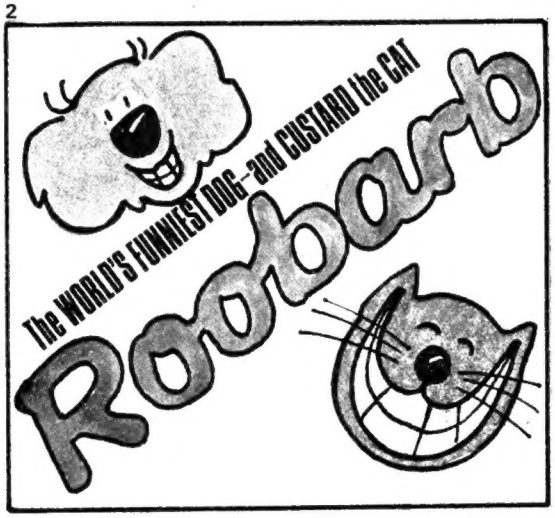
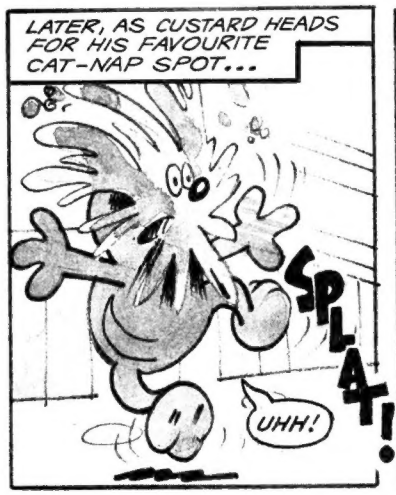
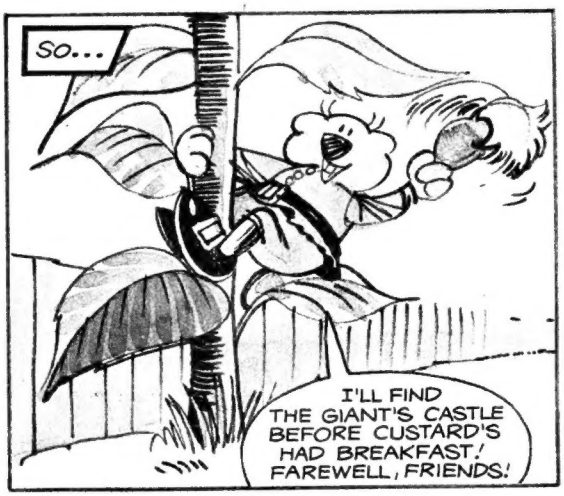
Now 'steam' over to the back cover!



ROO'S NEVER A HAPPIER HOUND THAN WHEN HE'S A TV WATCH-DOG...
JACK & THE BEANSTALK END
THAT TV PANTOMIME WAS GREAT. I WISH I COULD HAVE CLIMBED THE MAGIC BEANSTALK...



SORRY, CUSTARD! I WAS ONLY PLANTING MY BEAN. WHEN IT GROWS, I'M GOING TO PERFORM ROO' AND THE BEANSTALK!
EVERYTHING'S A PANTOMIME WITH YOU! IT'LL NEVER GROW THAT BIG!



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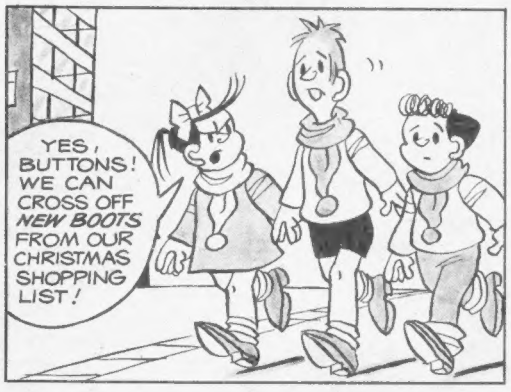
Roobarb makes magic on page 19!

TV Terrors

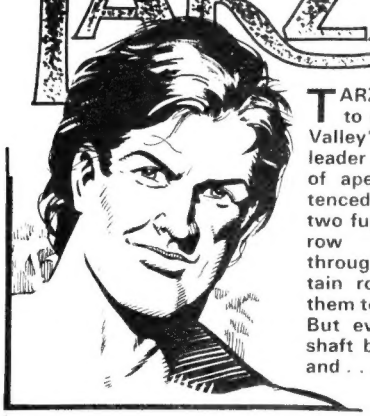
THE BEST PRESENT YOU COULD GIVE ME IS TO STAY AWAY FROM THE STUDIO, TERRORS! HO-HO!
IT DIDN'T WORK, CHUMS! HOPPIT WILL NEVER PART WITH THOSE BOOTS!



HELP! HELP! ROTTEN TERRORS! LEMME OUT!
HO-HO! WE THINK HOPPIT LOOKS JUST FINE IN THAT CAR BOOT!
UNCLE HARRY WILL LET HIM OUT, WHEN WE'RE SAFE IN THE STUDIO!

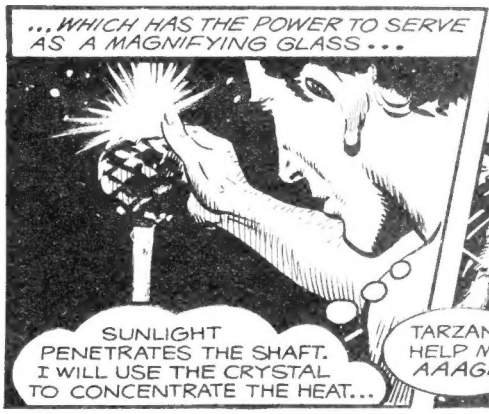
An out-of-season sing-song next week!

TARZAN



TARZAN and Boy mean to escape from a 'Lost Valley' in which Zanray — leader of a primitive tribe of ape-men — has sentenced them to death. The two fugitives climb a narrow 'chimney' hewn through the solid mountain rock, that will lead them to the outside world. But even as the narrow shaft broadens, Boy slips and . . .

IT'S COMING FOR ME. IT HAS SENSED MY PRESENCE.
DO NOT MOVE, BOY—THE SPIDER RESPONDS TO THE WEB'S MOVEMENT. WE STILL HAVE THE CRYSTAL...


...WHICH HAS THE POWER TO SERVE AS A MAGNIFYING GLASS...
SUNLIGHT PENETRATES THE SHAFT. I WILL USE THE CRYSTAL TO CONCENTRATE THE HEAT...

THE CRYSTAL IS SUFFICIENTLY POWERFUL...
THE HEAT-RAY IS WORKING, TARZAN. THAT NIGHTMARE'S RECOILING...
CLIMB CLEAR OF THE WEB NOW, BOY—WHILE YOUR HUNTER LICKS ITS WOUND.

EVENTUALLY...
IT IS GOOD TO TASTE FRESH AIR AGAIN, TARZAN... AND EVEN BETTER TO KNOW THAT GIANT SPIDER COULD NEVER CLIMB THIS NARROW SHAFT!
UHH! THE CRYSTAL—I HAVE DROPPED IT...

THE CRYSTAL DESCENDS INTO THE WORLD FROM WHICH IT FIRST CAME...
TO RETAIN THE SECRET OF OUR EXISTENCE, I, ZANRAY, HAVE COMMITTED THE STRANGERS TO DEATH. THE SPIDER GUARDIAN OF THE CRYSTAL WILL HAVE EXECUTED THEIR SENTENCE!

EVEN AS ZANRAY CAN NEVER KNOW THE TRUTH...
ZANRAY WILL MAKE SURE NO ONE ELSE EVER CLIMBS THAT SHAFT. HIS 'LOST VALLEY' WILL REMAIN A LEGEND.
IT IS THE WAY I PREFER IT, TARZAN! WITH THE CRYSTAL GONE, THERE IS NO EVIDENCE TO PROVE THE APE-MEN EVER EXISTED!

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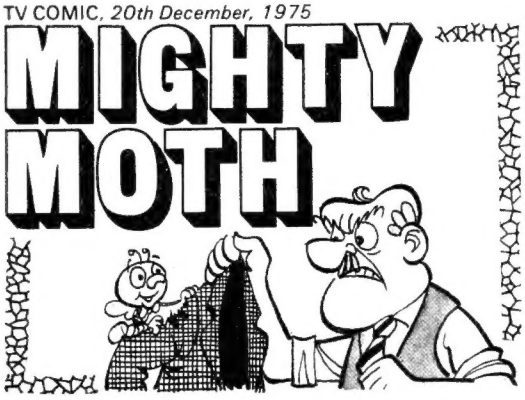
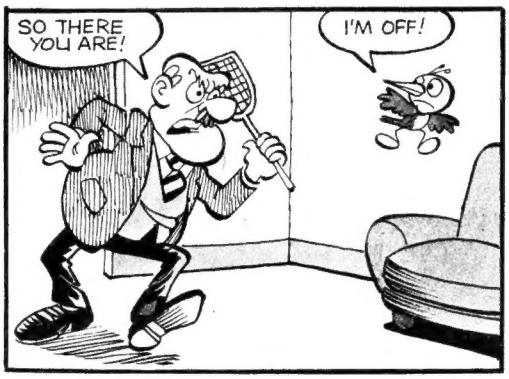
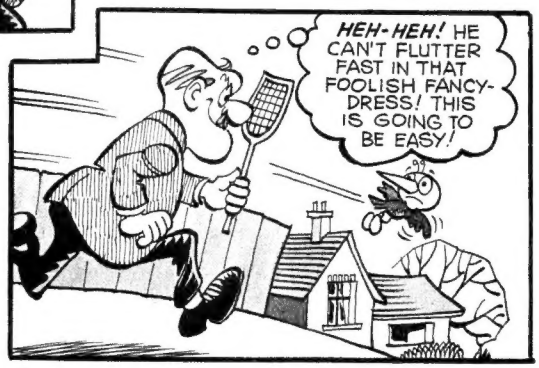
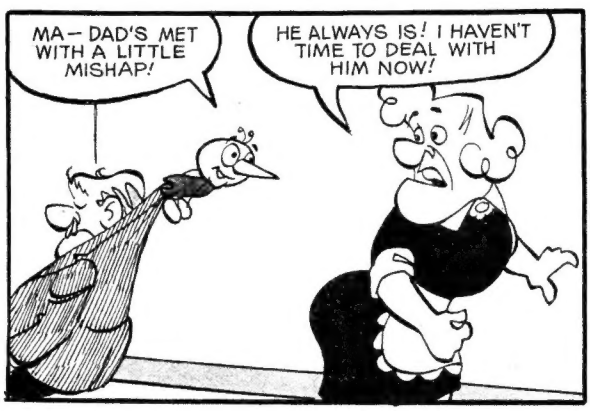
Join Tarzan in a new adventure next week!

MIGHTY MOTH

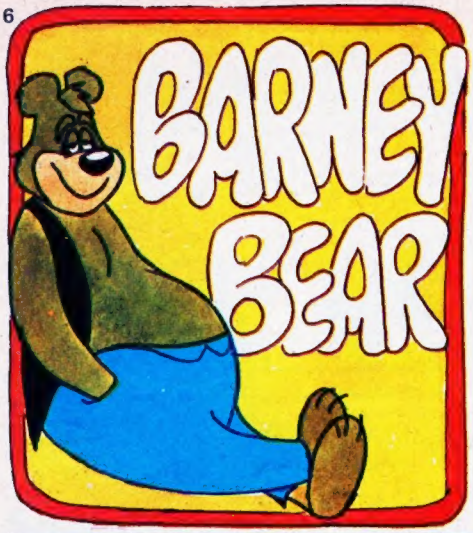


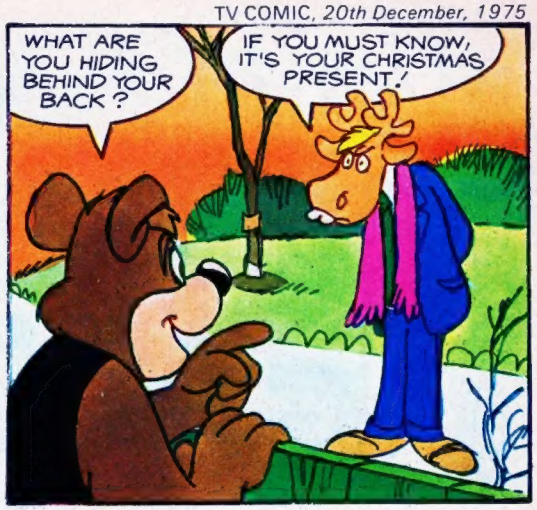


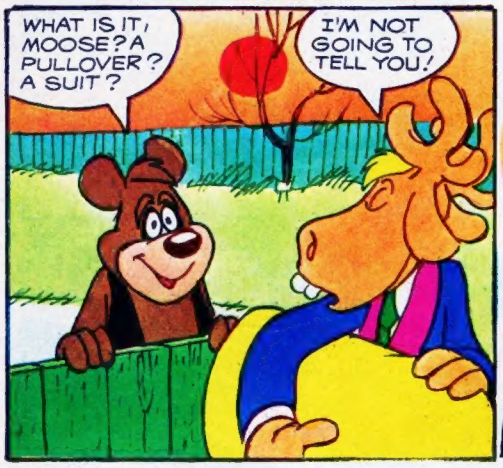


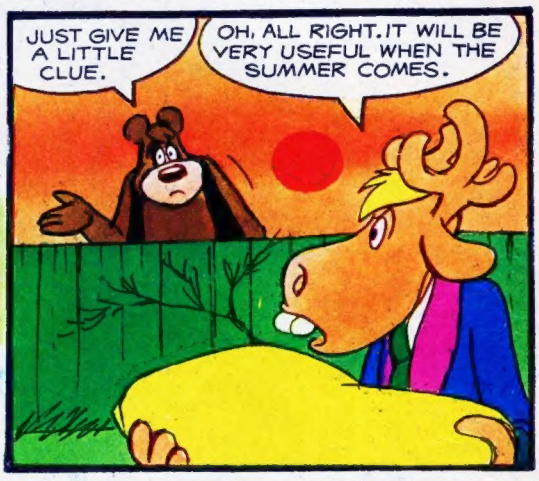


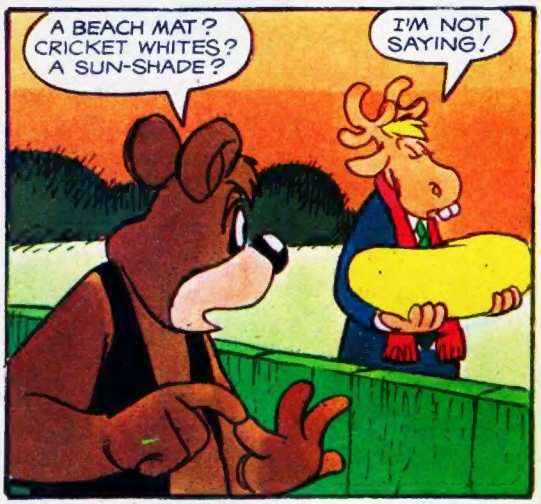
Our moth enjoys a Mighty meal soon!

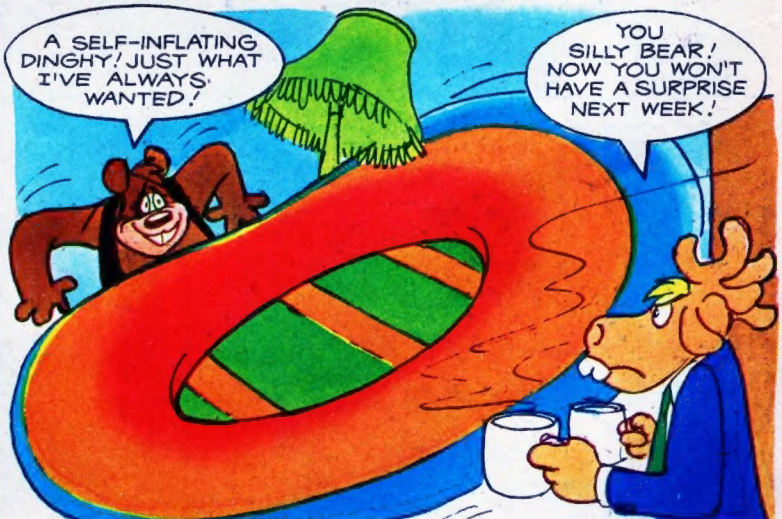












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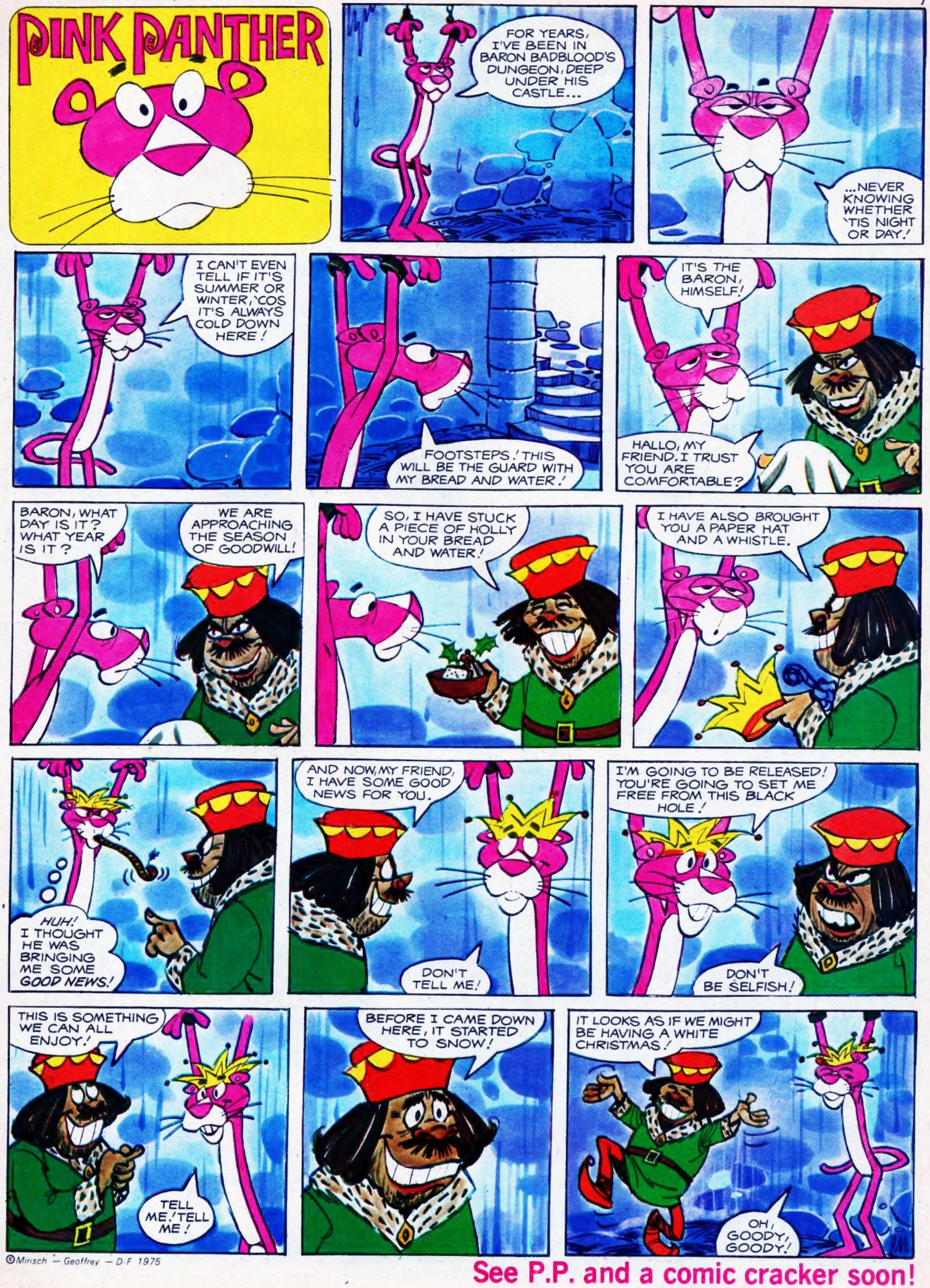
Moose gets heated when the dinner's cold soon!


PINK PANTHER
FOR YEARS, I'VE BEEN IN BARON BADBLOOD'S DUNGEON, DEEP UNDER HIS CASTLE...
...NEVER KNOWING WHETHER 'TIS NIGHT OR DAY.!
I CAN'T EVEN TELL IF IT'S SUMMER OR WINTER, 'COS IT'S ALWAYS COLD DOWN HERE!
FOOTSTEPS! THIS WILL BE THE GUARD WITH MY BREAD AND WATER.!
IT'S THE BARON, HIMSELF!
HALLO, MY FRIEND. I TRUST YOU ARE COMFORTABLE?
BARON, WHAT DAY IS IT? WHAT YEAR IS IT?
WE ARE APPROACHING THE SEASON OF GOODWILL!
SO, I HAVE STUCK A PIECE OF HOLLY IN YOUR BREAD AND WATER.!
I HAVE ALSO BROUGHT YOU A PAPER HAT AND A WHISTLE.
HUH! I THOUGHT HE WAS BRINGING ME SOME GOOD NEWS.!
AND NOW, MY FRIEND, I HAVE SOME GOOD NEWS FOR YOU.
DON'T TELL ME!
I'M GOING TO BE RELEASED! YOU'RE GOING TO SET ME FREE FROM THIS BLACK HOLE!
DON'T BE SELFISH!
THIS IS SOMETHING WE CAN ALL ENJOY!
TELL ME, TELL ME!
BEFORE I CAME DOWN HERE, IT STARTED TO SNOW!
IT LOOKS AS IF WE MIGHT BE HAVING A WHITE CHRISTMAS!
OH, GOODY, GOODY!

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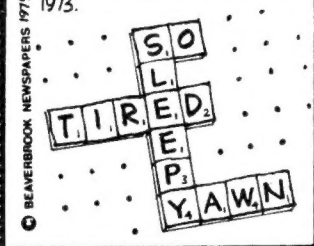
See P.P. and a comic cracker soon!

it's a record

From the Guinness Book of Records compiled by Norris and Ross McWhirter

THE LONGEST **SCRABBLE** GAME ON RECORD IS ONE OF 100 HOURS SET BY **MIKE BORRELLO, PAT EDMOND, RICK VARYAS** AND **MIKE WILSON** AT **LAKEWOOD**, CALIFORNIA, USA, ON 14-18 APRIL, 1973.



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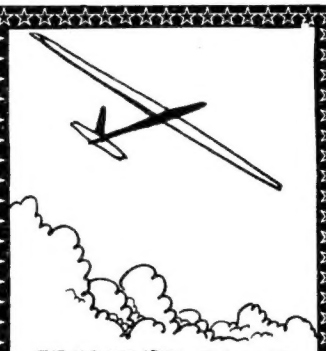
THE LARGEST RECORDED **SLOT-MACHINE** PAY-OUT HAS BEEN £27,122 ($65,095) TO AN UNNAMED 66-YEAR-OLD MALE AT **HAROLD'S CLUB, RENO**, USA, ON 4th SEPTEMBER, 1973.

THE LARGEST **RODEO** IN THE WORLD IS THE **CALGARY EXHIBITION** AND **STAMPEDE** AT **CALGARY, ALBERTA**, CANADA. THE RECORD ATTENDANCE HAS BEEN 993,777 ON 5-7th JULY, 1973.

THE HIGHEST RECORDED PRICE PAID FOR A **RACING PIGEON** IS £5,000 PAID BY **LEWIS MASSARELLA** OF LEICESTER, ENGLAND, IN DECEMBER, 1973, FOR THE 4-YEAR-OLD **CHAMPION WORKMAN**.

IT IS RECORDED THAT **JOHN EKEMA** DESCENDED **MOUNT CAMEROUN** FROM THE SUMMIT 13,350ft (4,069m) TO **BUEA** AT 3,000ft (914m) IN 99 MINUTES ON 10th MARCH, 1973, ACHIEVING A VERTICAL RATE OF 104ft (31.8m) PER MINUTE.



THE HIGHEST ABSOLUTE ALTITUDE GAINED IN A **GLIDER** IS 46,266ft (14,102m) BY **PAUL F. BICKLE, JR.**, USA, IN A SCHWEITZER SGS1-23E OVER **MOJAVE**, CALIFORNIA, USA, ON 25th FEBRUARY, 1961.

THE GREATEST ALTITUDE AT WHICH **SAILING** HAS BEEN CONDUCTED IS 14,212ft (4,331m) ON **LAKE POMACOCHA**, PERU, BY ***NUSTA***, A 19ft (5.79m) LIGHTNING DINGHY OWNED BY **JAN JACOBI**, REPORTED IN 1959.

THE **BAREFOOT WATER-SKIING** RECORD IS 67 MINUTES OVER ABOUT 36 MILES (57m) BY **STEPHEN Z. NORTHRUP**, USA, IN 1969.

6 £1·50 book tokens to be won!

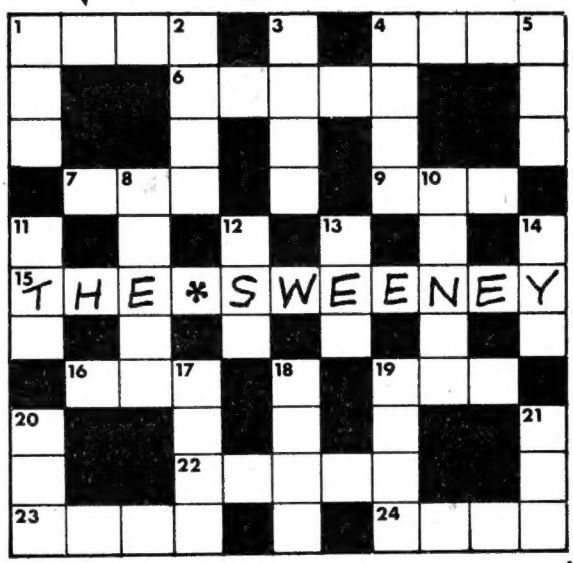
PRIZE CROSSWORD NO. 41

Still waiting to win a prize? Maybe this will be your lucky week! Just put pen to paper and see if you can complete the Prize Crossword. We've given you one answer, as usual, to help you get started!

Senders of the first six all-correct entries to be pulled from the postbag after Monday, 22nd December, 1975, will each receive a book token in the post.

Just cut out your entry — together with the completed coupon — and stick it to a postcard. Then send it to: Prize Crossword Competition No. 41, TV Comic, Polystyle Publications Ltd., 382-386 Edgware Road, London W2 1EP. Be sure to use a postcard OR YOUR ENTRY WILL BE CONSIDERED INVALID.

The answers to Prize Crossword No. 41 will appear in TV Comic No. 1256 (dated 10th January, 1976) and the six prizewinners' names will be printed in Issue 1262 (dated 21st February, 1976).



ACROSS

1 A base metal like lead that does not rust.
4 Night insect often attracted to lights.
6 To bring together.
7 If you go away, it pays to check all the taps are turned this way.
9 All Royal Naval ships carry these letters in front of their names.
15 Tough TV police series from Thames Television.
16 The letters that stood for old-fashioned pounds, shillings and pence.
19 Good comes before this word, if you're saying farewell.
22 Largest of American deer. Barney's pal.
23 A considerable help from this on a dark night.
24 Essential equipment for mountaineers — they're tied to it!

DOWN

1 A collection of different animals.
2 If your sleeve's long, this will be at the end of it.
3 An archaeologist likes to make a new one.
4 Woven from wire, to keep things out or in.
5 Common garden tool.
8 Irritating insects that are good at jumping.
10 You use this to buy your shopping.
11 Associated Television. But three letters for short.
12 The snake that killed Cleopatra.
13 It divides the players in tennis.
14 It changes the colour of cloth.
17 Certainly not dry.
18 A sheep's gift to us.
19 Beverage made from malt and hops.
20 Everyone.
21 What a professional person will charge for his services.

Name.....

Address.....

.....

.....**Age**.....

Prize Crossword No. 41. Closing date: 22nd December, 1975.

OH, IT'S YOU, BUTCH! IT WAS MY FAULT REALLY. IT'S ALL THESE CARDS...
WELL, HERE'S ANOTHER! IT WAS PUT IN MY DOOR BY MISTAKE. I HAVEN'T RECEIVED ANY YET!

BUTCH PUTS HIS PLAN INTO ACTION...
WHEN DROOPY OPENS THIS CARD, THE FLOUR'S GONNA MAKE SURE HE HAS A REAL WHITE CHRISTMAS!
SELF RAISING FLOUR

MEANWHILE...
I FEEL GUILTY ABOUT NOT POSTING BUTCH'S CARD BEFORE. I WISH HE HAD PLENTY OF CARDS TO OPEN, TOO!
BUTCH
2
MON TO FRIDAY
SAT SUN

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Take a look at a Christmas cook with Droopy soon!

Captain PUGWASH

BY THEIR SKIPPER'S BAD NAVIGATION, THE CREW OF 'THE BLACK PIG' ARE HAVING TO SPEND CHRISTMAS ON EASTER ISLAND...

I WANT TO GO HOME! HOW WILL SANTA FIND US HERE?

HE'LL SEND A SPECIAL CHRISTMAS SHIP!

AND SO, BARNABAS AND TOM WERE PUT ON SPECIAL LOOK-OUT DUTY...

D'YOU THINK THE CAPTAIN'S RIGHT, TOM? D'YOU THINK SANTA WILL FIND US HERE?

I CERTAINLY HOPE SO, BARNABAS. EVERY MAN-JACK OF THE CREW ARE COUNTING ON IT!

THEN...

I-I D-DON'T BELIEVE IT! L-LOOK, TOM!

GOLLY!

CAN YOU READ HER NAME, BARNABAS?

I'M LOOKIN' INTO THE SUN AND SHE'S TOO FAR OFF, TOM!

EVEN SO, YOU'D BETTER SEND SILLY WILLY TO FIND THE CAP'N!

MEANWHILE...

BUT I HAD TO GIVE THEM SOME SORT OF STORY, MR MATE!

I KNOW THAT, SKIPPER, BUT THEY'RE GOING TO BE VERY CROSS IF SANTA DOESN'T TURN UP!

SUDDENLY...

WHAT'S UP WITH SILLY WILLY? HE'S DANCING LIKE A DOLPHIN!

PLEASE CAN I GO BACK TO 'THE BLACK PIG' FOR MY STOCKING, CAP'N?

ARE YOUR FEET COLD, LAD?

NO, MR MATE. IT'S JUST THAT SANTA'S ARRIVED AND I DON'T WANT TO BE MISSED!

SOON...

BUT SANTA'S GOT A *WHITE* BEARD, WILLY!

HE MUST HAVE HAD A FEW DIRTY CHIMNEYS TO GO DOWN THIS YEAR, CAP'N!

AT LAST...

HOW D'YOU LIKE MY SEASONAL GET-UP, PUGWASH?

WELL, I NEVER! CUT-THROAT JAKE! STILL, I SUPPOSE IT IS THE SEASON OF GOODWILL!

More seasonal sniggers on the high seas soon!

Readers' Page

£1 for every item published on this page, and £2 for the special Star Letter of the week. Send your entry to: TV Comic, Polystyle Publications Ltd., 382/386 Edgware Road, London W2 1EP.

My name is Graham Broadhead and I live in Grafton, Australia, which is famous for its Jacaranda Festival. I am eight years old and I enjoy your TV Comic very much. Here is a photo of a bullock team, taken at Old Sydney Town. I like Basil Brush and Tom & Jerry.

Grafton, Australia.

What an unusual picture, Graham. Hope you manage to get TV Comic regularly and that your postal order arrives safely.

Dear Editor

My name is Elaine Londess and I have a sister called Lynn. Here is a limerick my Dad once wrote about her.

There was a young lady called Lynn,
Who was so incredibly thin.
When once she essayed to drink lemonade,
She slipped through the straw and fell in.

My favourite stories in TV Comic are Basil Brush, Popeye, Tom & Jerry and Pink Panther. I have been reading TV Comic for seven years now and have even got my Dad interested.

Chorley, Lancs.

Have you heard of her sister Elaine?
Who cried out to Lynn, nigh in vain.
'Dear sister of mine,
Won't you please hold this line?
If you swallow it all I'll complain!'
Well, you needed one, too. Didn't you, Elaine?

ANSWERS TO PRIZE CROSSWORD No.38

. . . which was printed in Issue No. 1250 (dated 29th November, 1975).

ACROSS: 3 Owl. 7 None. 8 Rail. 9 Scowl. 12 Scone. 16 Mastermind. 17 Sleet. 19 Stays. 22 Noel. 24 Whip. 25 One. DOWN: 1 Inks. 2 Into. 4 Wag. 5 Halo. 6 Glue. 10 Camel. 11 Waste. 13 Comet. 14 Nanny. 15 Peg. 17 Sink. 18 Eden. 20 Ache. 21 Sips. 22 Ben.

Here are the six lucky winners of Prize Crossword No. 32.

Giles Coddington, Grimsby.
Julia Lloyd, Malvern Link, Worcs.
Mandy Atkins, Ingatestone, Essex.
Cameron McNair, Glasgow.
Michele Thresher, Taunton, Somerset.
Matthew Butson, Worcester Park, Surrey.

Dear Editor

I like reading TV Comic and my favourite stories are Laurel & Hardy and Mighty Moth. My Mum likes Nelly & Her Telly. I have four guinea-pigs. The Father and Mother are called Woffles and Squeaky and the two babies are called Scamp and Hoppity. They like coming indoors and our cat, Bambi, comes in and guards them. We also have a goldfish with one eye; his name is Apollo.

Bromley, Kent.

It's nice to know that your Mum takes an interest in TV Comic. I hope it makes her laugh as well! Thanks for writing.

★STAR LETTER

My name is Edward Lane and my hobby is fishing. The biggest fish I have caught is a 3½lb tench. I have two rods and am a member of the Kingfisher Club. I started fishing when I was six and I am now ten and a half years old. The first fish I ever caught was an ½lb eel which I caught with a toy rod. Once, when I went fishing, I walked up the bank and when I looked round my rod was dangling in the water. I struck and found to my surprise I had caught a 2½lb pike. Most pike have one-hundred teeth in their mouths. I have written to Readers' Page three times now. My favourite cartoons are Tom & Jerry, Pink Panther, Barney Bear and Mighty Moth.

Barnwell, Peterborough.

Thank you for an interesting letter, Edward. Your angling activities have just landed you another prize catch — this week's special £2 postal order which is on its way to you. Do any other readers have any fisherman's tales to tell?

Dear Editor

My name is Carolyn Revell and I am nine years old. My favourite stories in TV Comic are Basil Brush and Pink Panther. I have three brothers. Here is a photo of me and my youngest brother in fancy-dress, taken on holiday. We both won a prize.

Halstead, Essex.

Shouldn't your brother be carrying the football, Carolyn? I'm glad you won a prize. Now you've won another for writing and telling me about it!

My name is Stephanie Hart and I am six years old. I like collecting stamps and shells. I also like painting and drawing. My favourite stories in TV Comic are Basil Brush, Roobarb and Mighty Moth. On holiday, in Somerset, we went to the Cheddar caves and saw the beautiful stalagmites and stalactites.

Addinton, Surrey.

I went with my family last year, Stephanie. Wasn't it interesting?

Dear Editor

I am writing to tell you that I won a fancy-dress competition by dressing up as Pink Panther. The prize was £2. My Aunt knitted the outfit and her daughter, who is 18, made the eyes, nose and the mouth — and I was proud because everyone clapped.

Alyson Saunders,
Swansea, Wales.

Well done, Alyson. It sounds as though you have some hard-working relatives, too! No guesses for who your favourite character is?

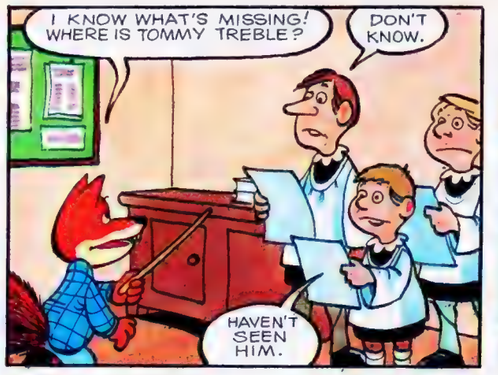
My name is Deborah Kimsey and I am eleven years old. When I was on holiday on the Isle of Wight, I went to a circus which I thought was very exciting — especially when the lions came roaring in, and a lady swallowed fire. My favourite characters in TV Comic are Basil Brush, Mighty Moth and Nelly and Her Telly. I do not buy TV Comic as my brother gets it, but I have always managed to read it without him knowing so far.

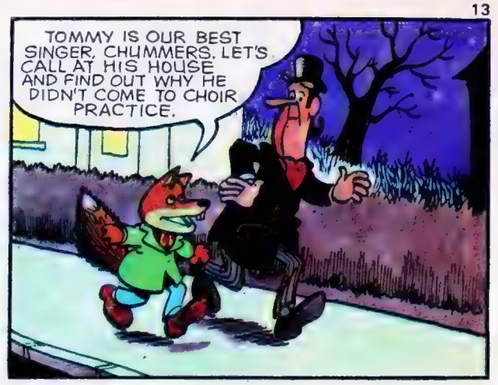
Ruislip, Middlesex.

Coo! What a swizz! I bet your brother will have something to say when he learns you've won a prize in ***his comic!***

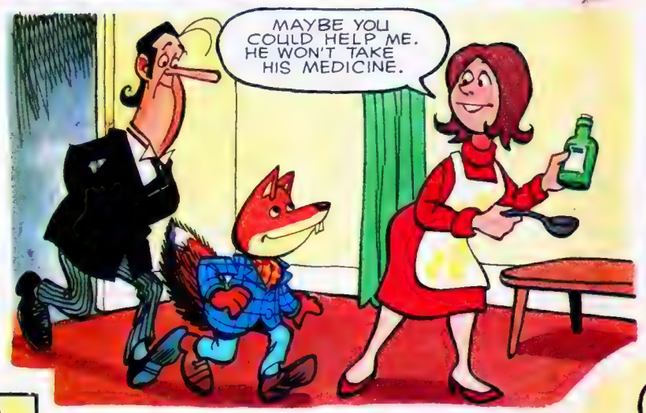
BASIL BRUSH

THERE'S SOMETHING NOT QUITE RIGHT ABOUT THE SINGING OF THE CAROL— AND WE START OUR HOUSE-TO-HOUSE TOUR OF THE VILLAGE IN A FEW DAYS!





HALLO, BASIL AND CHUMMERS. I'M SORRY TOMMY COULDN'T COME TO CHOIR PRACTICE. HE'S RECOVERING FROM GERMAN MEASLES.
CAN WE SEE HIM? WE'VE BOTH HAD IT.



SOON...
We saw three ships come sailing in...
THE CHOIR ARE SINGING WELL NOW TOMMY'S BACK! HE CAN REALLY HANG ON TO THE NOTES!
Dick Millington

Basil makes music at the party next week!

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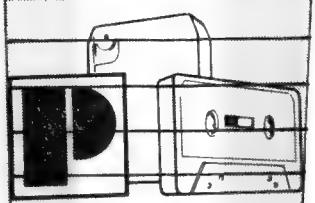

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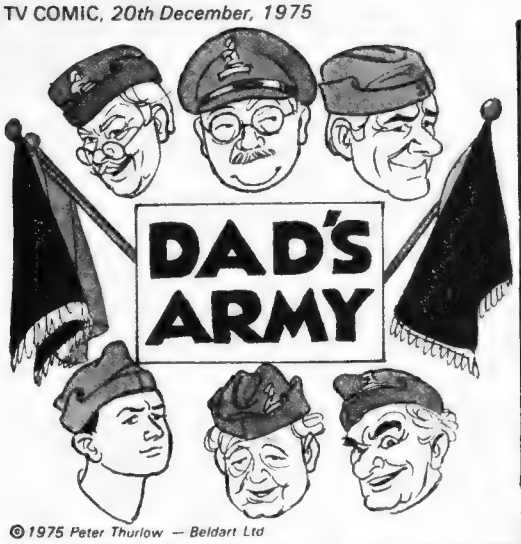

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IT'S NEARLY CHRISTMAS, WHEN...

THERE GO THE AMERICANS— TO DROP ANOTHER PRESENT ON HITLER'S HEAD, SIR!

THEY MAY BE OUR ALLIES, WILSON, BUT THEY DO TEND TO OVERDO THINGS. WHILST WE STARVE, THEY GORGE THEMSELVES.

BUT I'VE ALWAYS FOUND THEM MOST FRIENDLY AND GENEROUS, SIR!

THAT'S JUST IT, WILSON. A FEW BARS OF FREE CHOCOLATE AND THE BRITISH FORGET THEIR SUPERIORITY!

OUTSIDE THE CHURCH...

TALK OF THE DEVIL, WHAT'S AN AMERICAN DOING NEAR OUR HQ.?

OOOH, MR MAINWARING! THERE'S A YANKEE OFFICER INSIDE, TO SEE YOU!

SOON...

JUST THOUGHT I'D DROP IN TO WISH YOU AND YOUR GUYS ALL THE BEST, CAPTAIN.

YES...ER... WELL, THANK YOU, COLONEL. WE RETURN THE SENTIMENT.

THE FELLAS BACK AT OUR BASE ARE THROWING A PARTY. WE KINDA HOPED YOU'D ALL COME ALONG.

INDEED, MOST GENEROUS, I'M SURE!

ONCE COLONEL HACKENBACKER HAS LEFT...

BUT YOU TOLD HIM THE PLATOON WOULD BE GOING, SIR?

I SHALL DEVELOP A TERRIBLE HEADACHE. YOU CAN GO AND ACCEPT THEIR CHARITY IF YOU'VE NO PRIDE.

AND SO...

TELL YOUR BOYS TO MAKE THEMSELVES AT HOME, SERGEANT. SORRY TO HEAR ABOUT YOUR C.O.

HE JUST TENDS TO *OVERDO* THINGS AT TIMES, SIR!

IN MORE WAYS THAN ONE!

THE PARTY GOES OFF WITH A BANG AND ENDS WITH A SURPRISE...

IN APPRECIATION OF YOU FOLKS BEING SO NICE TO US...WELL, WE'D LIKE YOU TO ACCEPT A SMALL GIFT!

LATER, MRS MAINWARING RECEIVES A CALL...

HALLO, MRS PIKE. YES, HE'S MUCH BETTER, THANK YOU— *WHAT?!*

SOMETHING WRONG, MY DEAR?

AT THE OTHER END OF THE LINE...

ARTHUR SAYS THE PLATOON HAD A LOVELY TIME AND WERE EACH GIVEN A FOOD PARCEL.

SERVES HIM RIGHT FOR BEING SO POMPOUS, EH, FRANK?

Mainwaring gets a greeting soon!

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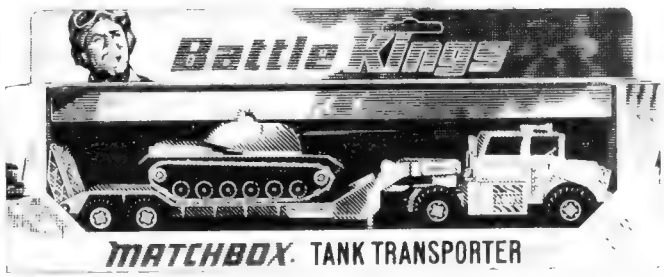

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'FEATHER FUN'

CHUMBS! THE PUTEY-TAT IS CHASING *BWIG* BIRDIES TODAY!

GRR! COME BACK, DUCK!

HELP! HELP!

ME BETTER *HWELP* THAT POOR DUCK. HE ISN'T VERY *BWIGHT!*

...AND ME HAD PLENTY OF *PWACTICE* AVOIDING THAT PUTEY-TAT!

HELP!

AND SO...

OH, NO!

CHRISTMAS TREES. SPECIAL OFFER

SHOVE!

TWIMBER!

TWEE-HEE-HEE!

NYAAR!

TRIP!

THANKS, PAL! DO THE SAME FOR *YOU* SOME TIME!

HWELP! THAT DAFT DUCK IS TWURNING INTO A *DWEAD-END!*

NOT *WAT* WAY, DWAFFY! WAT'S A *DWEAD END!*

YEOWCH!

OO...ER! A *FWEATHER'S* COME OUT!

UGH!

PLUCK!

AHA! WE MEET AGAIN, BIRDIES!

YWULP! HERE'S THE PUTEY-TAT! AND DWAFFY IS STILL *TWAPPED!*

HWELP! THE PUTEY-TAT'S CHASING *ME* NOW! WHY HE *CHANGE HIS MWIND?*

HEH-HEH-HEH!

TWITCH!

GOTCHA! SNIGGER!

NO YOU HAVEN'T, PUTEY-TAT! THAT'S DAFFY'S *FWEATHER!*

GRAB!

I *KNOW*, YOU DUMB CANARY! THAT'S WHAT I WAS *AFTER!*

!

MERRY CHRISTMAS

DARN DOTTY DUCK PINCHED MY *BALLPOINT PEN* AND RAN IT *DRY!* NOW TO WRITE MY CHRISTMAS CARDS!

HWO-HWO! THE PUTEY-TAT HAS TO USE A *QUILL PEN* NOW!

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Sylvester 'shoots' home when Sam fires soon!

POPEYE
SPINACH
TODAY IS THE DAY I USUALLY DELIVER THE CHRISTMAS MAIL AND GOODIES TO THE LIGHTHOUSE.
BE CAREFUL, POPEYE. THERE'S A HEAVY GALE BLOWING!
IT'S ALL READY, POPEYE, BUT YOU COULDN'T GET ALONGSIDE THE LIGHTHOUSE IN THIS WIND!
I GUESS YOU'RE RIGHT, TOM!
BRUTUS HAS OFFERED TO DELIVER IT IN HIS HELICOPTER, BUT HE WANTS AN AWFUL LOT OF MONEY!
HE WOULD!
LET'S FACE IT, YA SALTY SLOB, MY HELICOPTER COULD LOWER THOSE GOODIES DOWN WITH NO TROUBLE!
YEAH, BUT AFTER YOU'VE BEEN PAID, THERE WOULDN'T BE ANY MONEY LEFT FOR PRESENTS FOR THEIR KIDS!
WE'LL SEE IF THE WIND DROPS DURING THE DAY, TOM!
HAR! HAR! NOT A HOPE!
OKAY, POPEYE, BUT IF IT DOESN'T DROP WE'LL HAVE TO HIRE BRUTUS.
HALLO, POPEYE. I THOUGHT I'D TRY TO GET SOME OF THIS WASHING DRY!
YOW! IT'S SO WINDY THE SPINNING LINE HAS NEARLY TAKEN OFF!
I HAS AN IDEA, OLIVE!
BUT, POPEYE, IT'S STILL BLOWING A GALE!
DON'T WORRY, I'LL BE ABLE TO DELIVER!
BAH!
WON'T BE LONG NOW!
DON'T COME ANY CLOSER, POPEYE! YOU'LL BE SMASHED ON THE ROCKS!
THIS IS WHERE I HANG OLIVE'S WASHING OUT!
HERE WE ARE, MATEYS! EVERYTHING YOU'LL NEED FOR A SUPER CHRISTMAS!
THANKS, POPEYE, YOU'RE A PAL!

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Swee' pea plays bat and snowball soon!

THE WORLD'S FUNNIEST DOG-and CUSTARD the CAT Roobarb

THE TROUBLE WITH SLEEPING A LOT IS WHEN YOU CAN'T BE SURE WHETHER YOU'RE AWAKE OR STILL DREAMING...

HERE! WAKE UP, CUSTARD. I'VE SOMETHING IMPORTANT TO SHOW YOU!

I MUST BE SEEING THINGS!

RIGHT, CUSTARD! YOU'RE LOOKING AT THE GREAT ROOBARBIO, TO BE EXACT! THE INCREDIBLE CANINE MAGICIAN!

AND JUST TO PROVE HIS POINT...

THAT'S VERY GOOD, ROOBARB!

A MERE TRIFLE! I'M SAVING THE BEST TRICKS FOR THE BIG SHOW TONIGHT!

AND SO...

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, THE GREAT ROOBARBIO!

FOR MY FIRST TRICK, I WILL— WITH THE AID OF CUSTARD— MAKE THIS EGG DISAPPEAR.

THEN...

CUSTARD WILL WAVE MY MAGIC WAND OVER THE EGG, WHILE I REPEAT THE MAGIC WORDS!

BUT...

OOOH!

OH, NO! I SAID WAVE IT OVER NOT *SMACK* IT, YOU CLUMSY CAT!

THIS IS NO TIME TO START DANCING, ROOBARB! TRY ANOTHER TRICK!

I'M NOT DANCING! IT'S PENELOPE PIGEON! SHE'S JUST FOUND OUT THAT I'VE BROKEN THE EGG SHE LENT ME!

BOO! WE WANT OUR MONEY BACK!

OOOH! STOP IT! OWW!

TEE-HEE!

BOO! WHISTLE!

OUCH! HELP!

THERE'S ONLY ONE TRICK LEFT FOR YOU TO DO, ROOBARB! YOU'D BETTER *DISAPPEAR* AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE!

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Next week: Roo's out of luck when he's stuck soon!

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Dr WHO
'The Dalek Revenge!'
DRAWN to the planet Ercos by the power of the Time Lords, the Doctor and Sarah-Jane discover the awesome presence of the Daleks. When the Daleks chase an escaping Klim and leave him imprisoned in a pit, the Doctor and Sarah-Jane attempt to drag him out, knowing that the Daleks will soon return with a collection vehicle. Even as they struggle on . . .

THE ESCAPED PRISONER HAS BEEN CAPTURED! HE WILL BE BROUGHT BACK HERE AND EXTERMINATED!
POOR TICON! HE WAS A BRAVE FOOL! WE ARE DOOMED!

RELUCTANTLY, THE KLIMS RETURN TO THEIR BACK-BREAKING LABOURS...
IF ONLY TICON HAD GOT CLEAR. HE MIGHT HAVE DONE SOMETHING!
WHAT IS THE USE OF WISHING, MONIC.
SILENCE! WORK, OR YOU WILL BE PUNISHED!

MEANWHILE, NOT FAR FROM THE DALEK MINE...
HEAVE! PUT YOUR BACK INTO IT, SARAH-JANE!
I'M DOING MY BEST, DOCTOR.
SO CAN I, SARAH-JANE. COME ON, OLD FELLOW. ONE BIG EFFORT OR IT'S BACK TO THE DALEKS.
WHAT'S MORE, I'M SURE I CAN HEAR SOME SORT OF MOTOR HEADING THIS WAY.
UHHH!

WITH ONLY SECONDS TO SPARE...
WE MUST FIND HIM AT ONCE! THE DALEK COMMANDER WILL PUNISH OUR FAILURE!
IT IS NOT POSSIBLE! HE HAS ESCAPED!
A DESPERATE GAME OF CAT-AND-MOUSE BEGINS...
PHEW! THAT WAS CLOSE! WITH ANY LUCK, HE WON'T COME BACK THIS WAY AGAIN!
EVEN SO, WE'D BETTER FIND SOMEWHERE SAFER TO HIDE.

THE KLIM'S VOICE TAKES THEM BY SURPRISE...
GOLLY! HE SPOKE IN ENGLISH.
PROBABLY DUE TO LOGICAL TELEPATHIC ANALYSIS, SARAH-JANE.
THERE IS A PLACE THAT WILL NOT BE KNOWN TO THE DALEKS.

THEIR NEW KLIM COMPANION INTRODUCES HIMSELF AS TICON, SON OF GULAG, SLAIN BY THE DALEKS. AND SOON...
I HOPE HE'S NOT GOING TO SUGGEST WE PLUNGE INTO THAT TORRENT, DOCTOR?
TRUST HIM — I HAVE AN IDEA WHERE HE'S GOING TO LEAD US.
COME!

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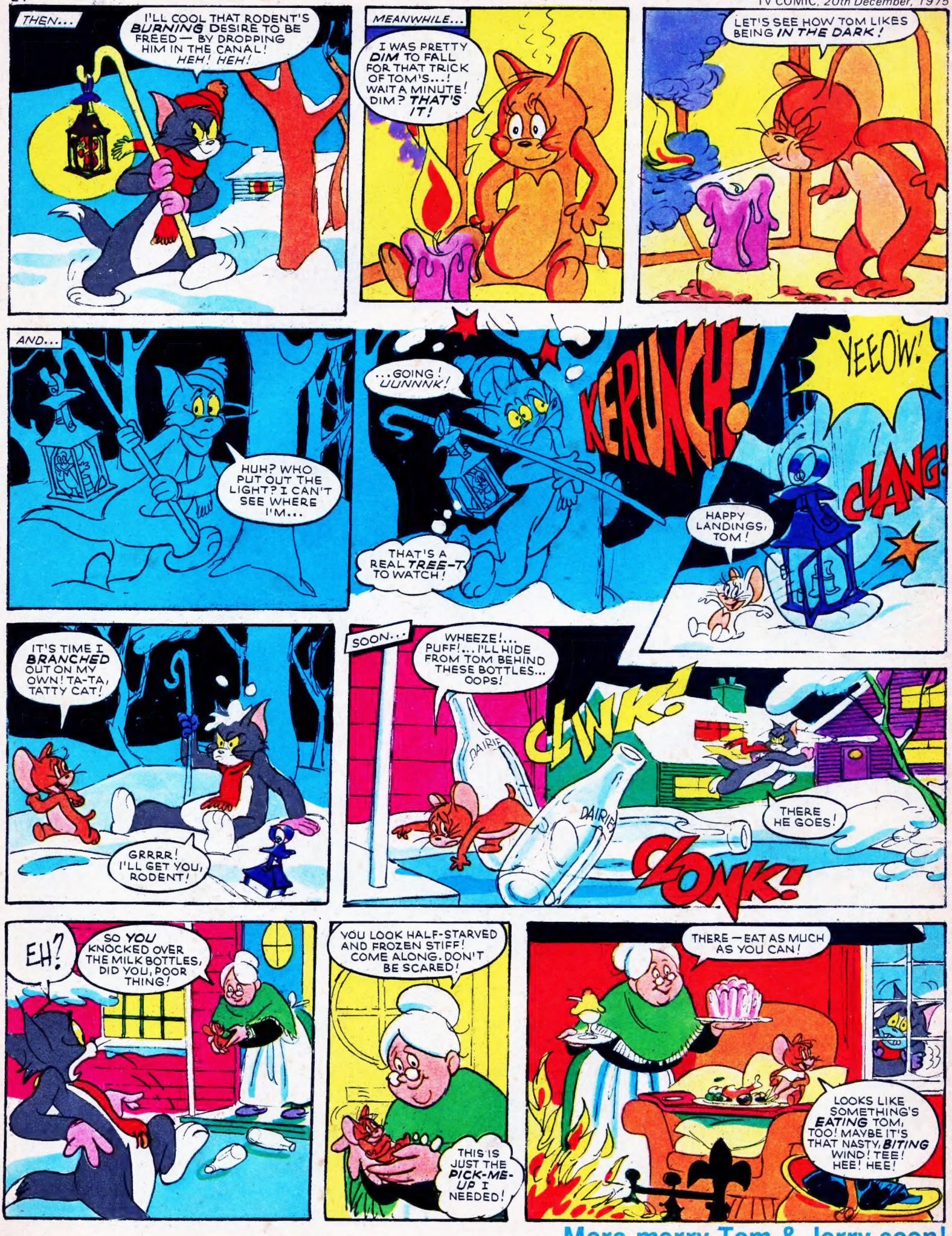
THEY FOLLOW TICON UNDER A CURTAIN OF CASCADING WATER...
AS I THOUGHT. I DON'T THINK THE DALEKS WILL FIND US NOW.
PERHAPS WE CAN FIND OUT WHAT THE DALEKS ARE DOING HERE, DOCTOR.
SO THE DALEKS ARE USING YOUR PEOPLE IN AN OPEN-CAST MINE. BUT WHAT IS THE MINERAL?
COULD IT BE LINKED WITH A STRANGE MACHINE THAT CREATES A HOLE?
IT WAS THE STRANGEST OF THE MACHINES THAT THE DALEKS BROUGHT WITH THEM. WITH ITS SHARP NOSE, I THOUGHT IT WAS A WAR MACHINE.
THERE WAS JUST THIS RUMBLING UNDER OUR FEET AND, SUDDENLY, IT APPEARED FROM NOWHERE!
A DEEP DRILLING VEHICLE – WHATEVER THE DALEKS ARE DOING WITH IT, WE CAN BE SURE OF ONE THING – IT'S SOMETHING EVIL!
THE DALEK SEEKERS REPORT BACK TO THEIR LEADER...
HE HAS ESCAPED! WE SEARCHED THE AREA BUT COULD NOT TRACK HIM DOWN!
WHERE IS THE PRISONER?
WAIT! WE MADE AN IMPORTANT DISCOVERY! SEE WHAT WE HAVE BROUGHT BACK IN THE COLLECTION VEHICLE!
THE DALEK COMMANDER'S RESPONSE IS IMMEDIATE...
AAAAGH!
YOU HAVE FAILED! YOU MUST BE EXTERMINATED!
THE TARDIS! SO THE ARCH ENEMY OF THE DALEKS IS NEAR! THE DOCTOR MUST BE FOUND AND EXTERMINATED!
EXTERMINATE! EXTERMINATE!

Next week: a traitor sets a trap!


THEN...
I'LL COOL THAT RODENT'S BURNING DESIRE TO BE FREED — BY DROPPING HIM IN THE CANAL! HEH! HEH!
MEANWHILE...
I WAS PRETTY DIM TO FALL FOR THAT TRICK OF TOM'S...! WAIT A MINUTE! DIM? THAT'S IT!
LET'S SEE HOW TOM LIKES BEING IN THE DARK!
AND...
HUH? WHO PUT OUT THE LIGHT? I CAN'T SEE WHERE I'M...
...GOING! UUNNNK!
KERUNCH!
YEEOW!
CLANG!
HAPPY LANDINGS, TOM!
THAT'S A REAL TREE-T TO WATCH!
IT'S TIME I BRANCHED OUT ON MY OWN! TA-TA, TATTY CAT!
GRRRR! I'LL GET YOU, RODENT!
SOON...
WHEEZE!... PUFF!... I'LL HIDE FROM TOM BEHIND THESE BOTTLES... OOPS!
CLINK!
DAIRIE
THERE HE GOES!
CLONK!
EH?
SO YOU KNOCKED OVER THE MILK BOTTLES, DID YOU, POOR THING!
YOU LOOK HALF-STARVED AND FROZEN STIFF! COME ALONG. DON'T BE SCARED!
THIS IS JUST THE PICK-ME-UP I NEEDED!
THERE — EAT AS MUCH AS YOU CAN!
LOOKS LIKE SOMETHING'S EATING TOM, TOO! MAYBE IT'S THAT NASTY, BITING WIND! TEE! HEE! HEE!

More merry Tom & Jerry soon!